

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING CHIEF KENNY  
STEVENS

**HON. JARED HUFFMAN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 21, 2021

Mr. HUFFMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Chief Kenny Stevens as he retires from an outstanding career with the Stinson Beach Fire Department, spanning five decades of providing emergency response, rescue services, and peace of mind for residents and visitors.

Chief Stevens moved to Stinson beach in 1966. After his father joined the Stinson Beach Fire Department, Chief Stevens joined the department as a junior firefighter and later became an official volunteer at the age of 16. Even while enlisted in the U.S. Navy, Chief Stevens still participated in drills when visiting home. After his discharge from military service, Chief Stevens returned to the Department as an assistant fire chief and was later promoted to lead the organization.

From responding to the Grand Hotel fire in 1971 to being first on scene to a building explosion last summer, Chief Stevens' has served the public with courage and professionalism. Chief Stevens built a reputation as a strong mentor who prioritized training and professional development. He created opportunities for young volunteers to run drills, ensured they earned certifications, and helped them establish careers with other departments. Chief Stevens also raised funds for an annex building to supplement the Department's resources. With tourism steadily increasing over the years, having Chief Stevens' leadership to keep both the local community and visiting beachgoers safe has been invaluable to public safety.

Madam Speaker, I respectfully ask that you join me in extending congratulations on Chief Steven's well-deserved retirement and in expressing our deepest appreciation for Chief Stevens' many years of service to residents of West Marin.

INTRODUCTION OF THE DISTRICT  
OF COLUMBIA NON-DISCRIMINATION  
HOME RULE ACT OF 2021

**HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON**

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 21, 2021

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, today, I introduce the District of Columbia Non-Discrimination Home Rule Act of 2021, which would end the unique applicability of the Religious Freedom Restoration Act of 1993 (RFRA) to the District of Columbia. My bill would protect the District's right to self-government, ensuring the District is treated the same as states, and defend LGBTQ and reproductive rights in D.C.

RFRA, which provides more protection for religious exercise than the First Amendment

requires, applies to the federal government, the D.C. government and the territorial governments, but not to state governments. As RFRA does not apply to the states, under the principles of home rule, it should likewise not apply to the District.

While RFRA was designed to be a shield to protect religious freedom, it is being used, as evidenced by the Supreme Court's 2014 Hobby Lobby decision, as a sword to discriminate against the LGBTQ community and women. Members of Congress have used RFRA as a justification for trying—but failing—to overturn D.C. anti-discrimination laws. House Republicans have repeatedly tried since 2015 to nullify or block the District's Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Act (RHND), which prohibits employers from discriminating against employees and their families based on reproductive health decisions, claiming, in part, that it violates RFRA. However, it appears that no one has challenged RHND's legality under RFRA in court.

My bill ensures that District residents are treated the same as residents of the states under RFRA. I strongly urge my colleagues to support this bill.

TRIBUTE TO DONALD GALLEANO

**HON. KEN CALVERT**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 21, 2021

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to my one of my very best friends, Donald Galleano, who passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, June 2, 2021. Don was a true leader and a larger-than-life member of our community who will be deeply missed.

Don was born and raised in Mira Loma's Wineville area of Jurupa Valley, where his family has owned and operated the Galleano Winery since 1927. After earning an associate degree from Riverside Community College in 1972 and studying business administration at San Jose State University, Don would join the family business and eventually become president of the winery. Under Don's leadership, through his hard work, entrepreneurship and passion for winemaking, the winery experienced significant growth, success, and produced several award-winning wines. Thanks to his dedication to upholding the traditions of his family, the Galleano Winery is one of the last remaining bonded, Prohibition-era winery still owned and operated by its founding family at its original location in the region.

In 2004, Don was elected to represent the Eastvale, Jurupa Valley and Norco communities on the Western Municipal Water District's Board of Directors. He represented our region on the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California board and the Chino Basin Watermaster board. Don was previously a member of the Jurupa Community Services District board and served on the National Or-

ange Show Foundation board and the Los Angeles County Fair Association board. He was also a past president of the Western Riverside County Businessman's Association and the Jurupa Chamber of Commerce.

In addition to his wife, Charlene, Don is survived by his children Gina (Galleano) Spraggins and husband Scott Spraggins, Annamarie Galleano Metter and husband Cody Metter, and Domenic Galleano and wife Brittanee Galleano; as well as grandchildren Matthew Michael Spraggins, Ryan Scott Spraggins, Gracie Marie Spraggins, Baylee Marie Spraggins, Sophie Marie Metter, Sadie Marie Metter, and Lucca Domenico Galleano. I extend my heartfelt condolences to the Galleano family, his friends, and everyone fortunate enough to know Don. Although he may be gone, the many contributions Don made to his community and family will have a lasting impact. Don was understandably proud of his family, his wine, and his community. I was proud to call him my friend.

SUPPORT FOR REPEAL OF AU-  
THORIZATION OF USE OF MILI-  
TARY FORCE

SPEECH OF

**HON. ANDY BIGGS**

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 17, 2021

Mr. BIGGS. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 256, the repeal of the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002. For too long, Congress has abrogated its Constitutional obligation to declare war. The founding fathers knew that the executive branch was the most prone to war. That is why they gave Congress the power to declare war. By assigning this power to Congress, our founders ensured that issues of war would be properly debated before our brave service members are sent into harm's way.

We have allowed Presidents of both parties to disregard the proper Constitutional order and engage in forever wars. This AUMF has been in place for nearly 20 years and the situation in Iraq is vastly different than at its onset. Allowing the AUMF to remain in place will not make America safer. However, it will allow for the President to keep us in a state of perpetual war.

Repealing the AUMF will not endanger our troops overseas. However, repealing the AUMF will begin the process of restoring Congress to its proper role of deciding when our country goes to war. This Congress, or any future, must be a part of any decision to re-engage in hostilities in Iraq.

In Congress does not find the courage stand up to the President and say, "No Mr. President, we decided when to go to war," then thousands of young lives will be lost in unconstitutional wars. It is time for Congress to reassert itself over war powers and restore the proper Constitutional order.

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